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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to extend the period of response time to the Advisory Action, which was mailed on September 22, 2000, in order to maintain pendency of this application:

| one | month to October 2. | 2, 2000 | _; the extension fee is: | |
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| | [X] \$55.00 (215) | [] \$110.00 (115). | | |
| [] |] The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action | | | |
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[X] An extension fee in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: October 10, 2000